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FOR: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION FOR SUSTAINED RELEASE

OF THE HMG-COA REDUCTASE INHIBITOR FLUVASTATIN

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding action dated June 24, 2003, in the above-identified application, having a period for response set to expire September 24, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the following amendment be entered and the claims considered in light thereof.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.